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Welcome to the 48th edition of the Irish Social Policy Association (ISPA) e-newsletter. The newsletter is published four times a year and highlights upcoming conferences, events, publications and other developments in the broad social policy area. Contact details are included below.

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1. ISPA NEWS

This is the 48th e-Newsletter of the Irish Social Policy Association. There will be four e-newsletters throughout the year. The following are the scheduled dates which you will receive your copy via email:

- Mid-September
- Mid-November
- Mid-February
- Mid-May

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2. UPCOMING EVENTS

• UPCOMING CONFERENCES

UCD CHILDHOOD AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT RESEARCH CENTRE
ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Date: 5th December 2018

Venue: University College Dublin, Belfield, Dublin 4

Other Details: For more information, please

see <https://www.eventbrite.ie/e/ucd-childhood-and-human-development-research-centre-annual-conference-2018-diversity-in-childrens-tickets-52870103904>

IFIC IRELAND, IFIC, UCD CICIS AND HSE JOINT CONFERENCE

Theme: Integrated Health and Social Care in Ireland: How to Achieve Implementation Success

Date: 5th December 2018

Venue: University College Dublin, Belfield, Dublin 4

Other Details: For more information, please

see <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/national-integrated-care-forum-integrating-health-and-social-care-in-ireland-how-to-achieve-registration-51814546704?aff=ebdssbdestsearch>

CORK CITY PARTNERSHIP ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Theme: Men's Engagement – Using Community Development Approaches

Date: 29th November 2018

Venue: Clayton Silversprings Hotel, Tivoli, Cork

Other Details: For more information, please

see <https://www.eventbrite.ie/e/mens-engagement-using-community-development-approaches-tickets-51461126615>

SOLA SYMPOSIUM

Theme: Sustainable Quality in the Community, Voluntary & Disability Sector 2018

Date: 30th November 2018

Venue: The Pavilion, University of Limerick

Other Details: For more information, please see contact Claire Gallery on 061 202960 claire.gallery@ul.ie

UCDVO ANNUAL FORUM

Theme: The Age of Activism – Making Space for Intergenerational Learning

Date: 30th November 2018

Venue: University College Dublin Belfield, Dublin 4

Other Details: For more information, please

see <http://www.ucdvo.org/events/ucdvoannualforum>

ST PATRICKS MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES CONFERENCE

Theme: Strengthening Responses - Domestic Violence and Women's Mental Health

Date: 3rd December 2018

Venue: St Patricks University Hospital, Dublin 8

Other Details: For more information, please

see <https://spmhs.eventbrite.ie> or www.stpatricks.ie/media-centre/events

CHILDRENS RESEARCH NETWORK ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Theme: Growing Up in the Digital Environment

Date: 6th December 2018

Venue: Chartered Accountants House, 47-49 Pearse St, Dublin 2

Other Details: For more information, please

see <https://childrensresearchnetwork.org/activity/events/annual-conference-december-2018>

PARENTING AND FAMILY STUDIES ALLIANCE CONFERENCE

Theme: Parenting well in modern Ireland - challenges, rewards and growth

Date: 7th December 2018

Venue: Athlone Institute of Technology

Other Details: For more information, please

see <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/parenting-well-in-modern-ireland-challenges-rewards-and-growth-tickets-51891457747>

EMN IRELAND CONFERENCE

Theme: Looking to the future for unaccompanied minors in Ireland and Europe

Date: 4th December 2018

Venue: Morrison Hotel, Ormond Quay, Dublin 1

Other Details: For more information, please see www.esri.ie

UPCOMING SEMINARS/ LECTURES

UCD CENTRE FOR GENDER, FEMINISMS AND SEXUALITIES SEMINAR

Theme: Sexual Counter Revolutions – The Case of Russia

Speaker: Dr Alexander Kondakov Research Fellow at the University of Helsinki

Date: 6pm, 26th November 2018

Venue: Humanities Institute, University College Dublin, Belfield, Dublin 4

Other details: For more details please see <https://www.eventbrite.ie/e/seminar-alexander-kordakov-sexual-counter-revolutions-the-case-of-russia-tickets-51717438250>

MINIMUM ESSENTIAL BUDGET STANDARDS RESEARCH CENTRE ROUNDTABLE

Date: 10am-12.30pm, 3rd December 2018

Venue: Ozanam House, 53 Mountjoy Square, Gardiner Street, Dublin 1

Other details: For more details please see www.budgeting.ie

NERI 6TH ANNUAL DONAL NEVIN LECTURE

Theme: Brexit in historical perspective

Speaker: Professor Kevin O'Rourke, University of Oxford

Date: 5.30pm, 12th December 2018

Venue: The Canada Room and Council Chamber, Lanyon Building, Queen's University Belfast, Belfast, BT7 1NN

Other details: For more details please see www.neroinstitute.net

ESRI SEMINAR SERIES

Theme: Targeting disability insurance applications with screening

Speaker: Maarten Lindeboom, School of Business and Economics, Economics Tinbergen Institute, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam

Date: 4pm, 24th January 2019

Venue: ESRI, Whitaker Square, Sir John Rogerson's Quay, Dublin 2

Other details: For more details please see www.esri.ie

- **UPCOMING LAUNCHES**

Launch of Job Stress and Working Conditions Report

Sharon McGuinness, CEO of the Health and Safety Authority will launch a new ESRI report titled Job stress and working conditions: Ireland in comparative perspective. The study asks how the levels of job stress in Ireland changed between 2010 and 2015 and how levels compare to those in the UK and other countries in Western Europe.

Patricia Murray, psychologist from the Health and Safety Authority will also speak, and Dr Agnes Parent-Thirion from the European Foundation will talk about burnout.

Date: 27th November 2018

Venue: ESRI, Whitaker Square, Sir John Rogerson's Quay, Dublin 2

Other details: For more details please see www.esri.ie

Launch of Treoir Research

'Unmarried Fathers in Ireland: An Examination of the Barriers to Shared Parenting'

Date: 3rd December, 10:30am-1:00pm

Venue: President's Hall Law Society of Ireland, Blackhall Place, Dublin 7

Other details: RSVP: mcmahon.lor@gmail.com

If you have a submission or suggestion on any upcoming events, seminars, presentations, launches or conferences and would like them to be included in a future edition, please email newsletter@ispa.ie DISCLAIMER: The ISPA does not take responsibility for advertising events. If you would like an event to be advertised it must be received one week before publication

3. RECENT PUBLICATIONS

- Goldrick-Kelly, P. & P. Mac Flynn (2018) *Productivity on the island of Ireland - A tale of three economies*. A PDF copy of the report is available to download from www.nerinstitute.net
- Turnbull, D. (2018) *Housing Affordability for Ireland's Young People in the Context of the Cost of Living: A Long-Term Assessment*. A PDF copy of the report is available to download from www.nerinstitute.net
- NESC (2018) *Cost-Benefit Analysis, Environment and Climate Change*. A PDF copy of the report is available to download from www.nesc.ie
- Care Alliance Ireland (2018) *Public Provision of Home Care in Ireland – Update. Briefing Paper 2*. A PDF copy of the report is available to download from www.carealliance.ie

RECENT PUBLICATIONS FROM THE ESRI:

- Growing Up in Ireland Research Team (2018) *Growing Up in Ireland: The lives of 13-year-olds*.
- Redmond, P., S. McGuinness & B. Maître (2018) *An examination of the labour market transitions of minimum wage workers*.
- Sheridan, A. (2018) *Annual report on migration and asylum 2017: Ireland*.

For details on any of the above ESRI publications and a comprehensive list of all recent ESRI publications please see www.esri.ie

UPCOMING/RECENT PUBLICATIONS FROM THE POLICY PRESS (UK)

- *Prison Suicide: What happens afterwards?* By Philippa Tomczak. Although prison suicide is a global problem, there is little knowledge about the investigations

occurring after prison suicides. Addressing this gap, this book provides the first detailed case study of the investigations that follow prison suicides: using England and Wales. Despite the large range of institutions that monitor English and Welsh prisons, suicides reached a record high in 2016, with the rate having doubled since 2012. These deaths represent the sharp end of a continuum of suffering, self-harm, despair and distress within prisons, which affects prisoners, their families and prison staff. This book details and critiques the lengthy and expensive police, ombudsman and coroner investigations that follow prison suicides. Drawing on extensive document analysis, including analysis of over 100 Prison and Probation Ombudsman fatal incident investigations, and original semi-structured interviews with stakeholders undertaken between 2016-2017, this book provides a novel analysis of prison oversight.

- *Grandparenting practices around the world* edited by V. Timonen. This exciting collection presents an in-depth, up-to-date analysis of the unprecedented phenomenon of increasing numbers of grandparents worldwide, co-existing and interacting for longer periods of time with their grandchildren. The book contains analyses of topics that have so far received relatively little attention, such as transnational grandparenting and gender differences in grandparenting practices. It is the only collection that brings together theory-driven research on grandparenting from a wide variety of cultural and welfare state contexts - including chapters on Europe, North America, Africa, Asia and Australia - drawing broad lines of debate rather than focusing at a country level. Building on the success of 'Contemporary grandparenting', edited by Virpi Timonen and Sarah Arber, this book further deepens our understanding of how social structures continue to shape grandparenting across a wide range of cultural and economic contexts. The book is essential reading and reference for researchers, students and policy-makers who want to understand the growing influence of grandparents in ageing families and societies across the world.

Further details on the above publications are available from www.policypress.co.uk

If you wish to have a recently published book/paper listed in this section of future newsletters please e-mail details formatted as above to newsletter@ispa.ie DISCLAIMER: The ISPA does not take responsibility for advertising events. If you would like an event to be advertised it must be

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4. CAREERS IN SOCIAL POLICY

DRINKAWARE: RESEARCH AND IMPACTS MANAGER

Established in 2006, Drinkaware is Ireland's leading and most recognised provider of trusted alcohol information. Our vision is of an Ireland where alcohol is not misused, and our goal is to reduce the incidence of underage drinking, and to reduce the number of adults who drink above the weekly HSE low risk guidelines. Drinkaware's mission is to work with others to fundamentally and permanently change attitudes and behaviours so that drinking to excess and drinking underage becomes unacceptable, and we deliver this through our research, awareness and education programmes.

Drinkaware is a small team that has an ambitious strategy for 2019-2021. It includes evolving our existing bank of unique data and knowledge that we use to inform and shape our activities so that we develop and deliver impactful campaigns. Ensuring that they are evidence-led and comprehensively evaluated is therefore strategically critical to the organisation. These aspects of our work will be led by our Research and Impacts Manager.

The Research and Impacts Manager will work in partnership with the CEO to evolve the research role in the organisation, and to develop an evaluation structure for Drinkaware programmes and campaigns. They will also work with the CEO to embed an 'impact culture' in Drinkaware and help drive the organisational focus on and execution of impact goals.

This is a two-year, full-time position.

The salary scale is based at project manager level. A 5% match contribution to a PRSA account is offered.

Applicants should respond to ceo@drinkaware.ie with a CV and cover letter stating their suitability to the role in terms of skills, experience, motivations and achievements to date. Closing date: 25th November 2018

EXTERN: POLICY AND PUBLIC AFFAIRS MANAGER

Location: Smithfield, Dublin 7

Salary: Grade 6, salary scale €53,836 - €63,213

Hours: 37.5 hrs per week (inclusive of breaks) flexibility required

Contract Status: Continuous, subject to funding

Waiting List: A waiting list will be compiled should any further positions arise within the area advertised

See www.extern.org for full details on this position and application forms. Please return your completed forms to siobhan.malone@extern.org

The closing date for all completed applications is: Wednesday 28th November 2018 at 12 Noon. Interviews are expected to take place on the 13/12/18.

CENTRE FOR EFFECTIVE SERVICES: PROJECT SPECIALIST – PRACTICE DEVELOPMENT

CES is a not for profit, intermediary organisation, with offices in Dublin and Belfast. CES connects policy, practice and research, to ensure the implementation of effective services, to improve the lives of people across the island of Ireland. We are now offering an opportunity for an experienced Project Specialist with particular expertise in the field of practice development. This is a unique opportunity for an experienced practitioner to contribute his or her skills to a policy and practice environment where creative thinking and innovation is required and where their work can influence the development of policy and good practice.

The position is full time and based in CES Harcourt Street. An attractive remuneration package is offered for this post, commensurate with experience.

Queries should be addressed in confidence to Maggie Hyland

at recruitment@effectiveservices.org

The closing date for applications is 5pm on Monday 10th December 2018. For further details, visit <http://effectiveservices.org/about/careers/detail/project-specialist-practice-development>

GENERAL CAREERS INFORMATION

The following websites are a good source of information on career opportunities in

the social policy and research/social policy related area:

www.activelink.ie/ce

www.publicjobs.ie/ce

www.irishjobs.ie

Also, many of the main third level institutions offer a wide range of social policy and research opportunities. We hope that future editions of the ISPA e-Newsletter will contain further lists of current vacancies in the field of social policy.

If you have a submission or suggestion on any current vacancies and would like them to be included in a future edition, please email newsletter@ispa.ie

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5. CONTACTING THE ISPA

The following are the contact details of the association. We strongly encourage communication by email.

ISPA Secretary Marcella McGovern: secretary@ispa.ie

Newsletter: newsletter@ispa.ie

Treasurer: treasurer@ispa.ie

PLEASE NOTE that all submissions, suggestions, events and job vacancies should be sent to the newsletter@ispa.ie address. The closing date for receipt of submissions for the next issue is the 1st of the month.

6. MEMBERSHIP OF ISPA

If you or your organisation would like to become a member of ISPA, please complete the membership registration form (return address on the document). Alternatively, contact the ISPA secretary at secretary@ispa.ie

Membership rates for 2016 are:

- Individual members: €30 per year
- Student/unwaged: €10 per year
- NGO: €60 per year
- Corporate membership: €100 per year
- Life member: Once off fee of €350

7. ISPA HISTORY AND CURRENT COMMITTEE

The Irish Social Policy Association, which was established in 1997, aims to provide a forum for the analysis, discussion and development of social policy in Ireland, North and South. The inspiration to form a cross border Association dedicated to social policy in Ireland came from Dr Patricia Kennedy and Dr Nessa Winston from the Department of Social Policy and Social Work, University College Dublin.

The Association endeavours to broaden the debate on social policy by providing a forum for discussion that embraces the views and opinion of a wide range of relevant actors. ISPA brings together professionals and non-professionals with an interest in social policy, academics, policy makers, officials in the civil service and public service bodies, employer and trade union organisations as well as organisations and groups in the not-for-profit sector. Through the Association, discussions and debates have been stimulated on a variety of contemporary social policy issues.

CURRENT ISPA COMMITTEE

The The ISPA Committee for 2017-2018 is as follows: Eoin Carroll (Chair), Eithne Fitzgerald (Vice-Chair), Marcella McGovern (Secretary), Michelle Murphy (Treasurer), Ann Stokes (Newsletter), Megan Curran (Post Grad Officer), Eamon Murphy (Website), Micheál Collins, Lorna Roe, Vivienne Byers, Geoffrey Cook, Sarah Craig, Catherine-Anne Field, Nat O'Connor and Justyna Szewczyk.

8. JOINING/LEAVING THE ISPA MAILING LIST

We are working on our online sign up form, in the meantime, please email Secretary@ispa.ie if you would like to be added to our mailing list. If you would like to be removed, please click unsubscribe at the bottom of this email.

A pdf copy of this and previous newsletters is available on the ISPA website at www.ispa.ie

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